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§ 97.505 Element credit.

- (a) The administering VEs must give credit as specified below to an examinee holding any of the following documents:
- (1) An unexpired (or expired but within the grace period for renewal) FCC-granted Advanced Class operator license document: Elements 1(B), 2, 3(A), 3(B), and 4(A).
- (2) An unexpired (or expired but within the grace period for renewal) FCC-granted General Class operator license document: Elements 1(b), 2, 3(A), and 3(B).
- (3) An unexpired (or expired but within the grace period for renewal) FCC-granted Technician Plus Class operator (including a Technician Class operator license granted before February 14, 1991) license document: Elements 1(A), 2, and 3(A).
- (4) An unexpired (or expired but within the grace period for renewal) FCC-granted Technician Class operator license document: Elements 2 and 3(A).
- (5) An unexpired (or expired but within the grace period for renewal) FCC-granted Novice Class operator license document: Elements 1(A) and 2.
- (6) A CSCE: Each element the CSCE indicates the examinee passed within the previous 365 days.
- (7) An unexpired (or expired for less than 5 years) FCC-issued commercial radiotelegraph operator license document or permit: Element 1(C).
- (8) An expired or unexpired FCC-issued Technician Class operator license document granted before March 21, 1987: Element 3(B).
- (9) An expired or unexpired FCC-issued Technician Class license document granted before February 14, 1991: Element 1(A).
- (10) An unexpired (or expired but within the grace period for renewal), FCC-granted Novice, Technician Plus (including a Technician Class operator license granted before February 14, 1991), General, or Advanced Class operator license document, and an FCC Form 610 containing:
- (i) A physician's certification stating that because the person is an individual with a severe handicap, the dura-

- tion of which will extend for more than 365 days beyond the date of the certification, the person is unable to pass a 13 or 20 words per minute telegraphy examination; and
- (ii) A release signed by the person permitting the disclosure to the FCC of medical information pertaining to the person's handicap: Element 1(C).
- (b) No examination credit, except as herein provided, shall be allowed on the basis of holding or having held any other license grant or document.

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§ 97.507 Preparing an examination.

- (a) Each telegraphy message and each written question set administered to an examinee must be prepared by a VE who has been granted an Amateur Extra Class operator license. A telegraphy message or written question set, however, may also be prepared for the following elements by a VE who has been granted an FCC operator license of the class indicated:
- (1) Element 3(B): Advanced Class operator
- (2) Elements 1(A) and 3(A): Advanced or General Class operator.
- (3) Element 2: Advanced, General, Technician, or Technician Plus Class operator.
- (b) Each question set administered to an examinee must utilize questions taken from the applicable question pool.
- (c) Each telegraphy message and each written question set administered to an examinee for an amateur operator license must be prepared, or obtained from a supplier, by the administering VEs according to instructions from the coordinating VEC.
- (d) A telegraphy examination must consist of a message sent in the international Morse code at no less than the prescribed speed for a minimum of 5 minutes. The message must contain each required telegraphy character at least once. No message known to the examinee may be administered in a telegraphy examination. Each 5 letters of the alphabet must be counted as 1 word. Each numeral, punctuation mark